



# The Delhotals to Santa Barbara

April 23, 2026

Greetings Praying Friends,

“Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:” (Philippians 1:6) We rejoice that God, according to promise, continues to work here and trust that He is answering our prayers for blessing in all the churches that have honored us with their support and/or prayers.

At the end of February, we had the pleasure of traveling to Sacramento to participate in Capitol Connection. This annual event involves independent Baptist pastors visiting the offices of state assemblymembers and senators to bare witness to the Gospel and endeavor to build connections and open doors to speak truth to our representatives on issues that arise throughout the year. We were able to visit several offices with our friend Brock Campbell and had the opportunity to connect and share the Gospel with Jensen, a young staffer for the assemblyman from our district. He was very respectful and open, even interested. Jensen is actually from Santa Barbara, please pray that we can connect again and that the Lord will continue to draw his heart.

In March, we had the privilege of attending the home missions conference hosted by First Baptist Church in Englewood, CO. This conference has been a tremendous blessing every year that we have attended. Aside from the great preaching and fellowship, a very generous offering was taken up for an expensive dental procedure that I have been postponing for some time. I go in Monday for the first phase of the project.

I want to thank you all for praying for our Resurrection Sunday outreach. We had a total of 40 in attendance. I, of course, was hoping for more, and several of us had people that we invited that did not come, but God did richly bless. First, the only other time we have had that many was on our Anniversary when we had quite a few from our sending church with us. Further, last year we had 2 visitors; this year we had 11. Some of the visitors do seem to be good contacts, and several who did not make it for the service are still in contact and either visited or intend to visit soon. Praise the Lord with us for what God has done and continue to pray for His work in lives.

I mentioned in the last letter that I have been praying for Eric to be baptized. He is planning a trip to Israel and was wanting to be baptized in the Jordan, but finally this week has let me know that he would like to go ahead and get baptized with the church. He will be our first to be baptized in the ocean.

Please pray for Rose and her mother, Virginia. Rose’s home is in Alabama, but her husband allowed her to come stay with her lost and ailing mom. In her time here, she has been a great encouragement to us over the past year and is praying earnestly that her mother would come to faith. As her health continues to decline, please pray for grace for Rose and that God will work mightily in Victoria’s heart.

For His Glory,  
Chad Delhotal

## Prayer Requests

- Zeal and wisdom in evangelism throughout the church.
- Keith (former JW) mental health; to be faithful and grow
- Sebastian would be able to move out of Seventh Day Adventist's home and would start attending church with us.
- Guidance to and provision of a better meeting place.
- Pray for us as we prepare to set up a booth at the local farmer’s market. Pray for wisdom that we would be able to engage many with the Gospel.

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